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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the U.S. National Stage application of:

International Application No. PCT/FI98/00572

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For: NOVEL PLASTIC BASED COMPOSITE AND ITS USE

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 2, 2000

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated February 29, 2000, applicants enclose a copy of a Transmittal of Declarations and Payment of Fee which was filed February 23, 2000 ("Transmittal").

The Transmittal submitted the inventors' Declarations for this application, and a check for \$65 in payment of the "small entity" surcharge for late filing of the Declaration. A copy of an acknowledgement sheet bearing a PTO date stamp of February 23, 2000, is also attached.

It is believed that the applicants have complied with all requirements for entry into the U.S. national stage. Accordingly, prompt issuance of a Notice of Acceptance of Application which assigns a 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) date of February 23, 2000, is earnestly requested.

In the event that this Response is not considered to be timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of

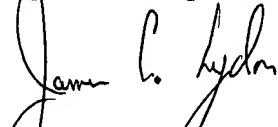
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time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-1258. Please charge any additional required fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-1258.



Respectfully submitted,


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Enclosures:

Transmittal of Declarations and Payment of Fee with
copy of Declarations
Acknowledgement Sheet
Notification of Missing Requirements